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# TILDEN CHOSEN AS FIRST TENNIS PLAYER OF RANK

## Receives That Position for Sixth Successive Time — Some New Comers Appear in the List.

The First Ten:— William T. Tilden 2d. William Johnston Vincent Richards R. Norris Williams 2d. Manuel Alonso. Howard C. Kinsey Takekichi Harada Cranston Holman B. I. C. Norton Wray D. Brown.

New York, Jan. 7.—One more new mark has been set in tennis by William Tilden. For the sixth year in succession, the national champion is placed first in the official ranking of the United States Lawn Tennis Association given out yesterday for publication. William A. Larned is the only other player who has been ranked first more times than Tilden. He was at the top eight years, but not consecutively.

Twenty-six players are rated in the official list prepared by the Ranking Committee of the U. S. L. T. A. This is seven less than were honored last year. It is a ranking marked by many changes and is particularly notable for the fact that four players made their appearance in the first ten for the first time, two of whom are foreign stars now making their homes in this country.

The four are: Manuel Alonso, mainstay of the Spanish Davis Cup team who has been living here since the early spring of 1923; Takekichi Harada, Japan's leading Davis Cup representative, who is a student at Harvard; Cranston Holman of San Francisco, a student at Stanford University and Wray D. Browne of St. Louis.

The other interesting feature of the ranking is the return of William Johnston to the number two position from which he was ousted last year by Vincent Richards. Richards now drops back to No. 3 and the ranking in respect to the first three positions, is the same as in 1921 and 1922.

Johnston's two victories over Richards in the Davis Cup trials, his selection to play the cup singles with Tilden and the fact that he reached the final round in the national championship, were determining factors in his elevation to the position he has held every year except 1924 during the tenure of Tilden.

# MONTREAL TOUGHEST TEAM OF THE N. H. L.

"Montreal is the roughest, toughest team in the Pro. League," says the Ottawa Journal. "Ottawa are the more polished combination, but what Montreal lack in finesse they make up in bull-like play."

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# REED BROS. WILL HAVE GOOD ONE IN EL VERSO

## The Columbus Track Brought \$360,000 as Building Lots—American Stable Getting New Horses.

El Verso, 2.05 is going to Maine after all, trainer Monte Gerow having advised Reed Brothers of Fort Fairfield that the pacer appears to be racing sound.

The first racing of the Winter in Maine brought a quarter in 29 3/4 seconds. The performance stands to the credit of Pointed Wood over the ice course at South Casco.

W. J. McDonald has sold Labe Riddell, 2.06 1/4 for export to Germany.

Guy Watts, 2.06 1/4 which showed 2.03 1/4 last season is to be held over this year.

Miss Mertie L., 2.09 1/4 has gone to Georgia and is in George Stiles' stable.

The Columbus track has passed. The real estate is reported to have brought \$360,000.

The champion Peter Manning, 1.56 1/4, is wintering at Memphis in the stable of Howard Perry.

Grace Knight, 2.14 1/4 goes into the stable of the clever Monroe, N. Y. trainer, Will Leese.

Dillon Axworthy, 2.10 1/4 is the sire of 26 2.10 trotters. Ten of them entered the list when two years of age.

Frank C. Niles of Kansas City, who races over Eastern half-mile tracks, has bought the Judge Maxey trotter, Caro Maxey, 2.15 1/4.

Todd Hart, 2.04 1/4, which took the trotting stars of the Cox and Murphy stable into camp on more than one occasion last Summer may be tried as a pacer this year.

# OTTAWA CLUB EXPECTS LIGHT DEFICIT FOR '26

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—For the present at least the Ottawa Hockey Association has no intention of transferring the National Hockey League franchise and the Senators to any other city. President Frank Ahern made this clear in a statement issued to set at rest reports that the Ottawa hockey team might be moved to some larger centre of population, although he admitted offers had been made. As long as the shareholders can make anything near an even break they will be satisfied, the statement says. He expects a comparatively slight deficit this season based on present returns.

The statement explains that "last year the cost of running the Ottawa Hockey Club amounted to approximately \$59,000 as per our auditor's report. The report showed a net loss of \$1,144. As nearly as Mr. Gill and I can at present estimate it will cost about \$74,000 to operate the Ottawa team this season. We have three more home games than last year. If the remaining matches net as much for each match at the average of the six games so far played there will be a deficit of \$3,000 to \$4,000."

# SAFETY FIRST PRIZE WINNER

Rossdorf, Hessen, Ger., Jan. 6.—The people of Rossdorf are claiming the year's safety-first prize for their burgomaster.

Hoping to popularize himself with the skaters of the town—and most of the voters skate—the burgomaster changed the village bell and announced that the community's large outdoor swimming pool was frozen and ready for skating. But skating enthusiasts on reaching the pool found the ice cracked and sagging so that it touched the bottom of the pool.

The burgomaster explained that he had drained all the water out to prevent drowning should any break through.

# DOW BREWER RETURNING TO JOB IN MAINE

## Leaves Vacancy on the Marysville Defence—High School and University Teams Beginning to Practice.

Dow Brewer who played defence with Marysville in the opening game, being one of the veterans who turned out again, will not be with the Crescents for the balance of the season. He was ordered to report for his railway job in Maine and left Wednesday night to resume his duties. His absence will make it necessary for some new player to play defence and it is likely that another youngster will be used.

Opening at St. Stephen.

Marysville will open the Western League Schedule at Saint Stephen, Friday, the first of the four games being set for that date and place. The Border Town team is expected to be largely the same as it was last year.

University and High School.

Fredericton High School has selected Thompson as captain and will build a team around four players left of last year's squad. The school league is expected to be the same as it was. Rothesay and St. John High being the other teams.

The University of New Brunswick was out Wednesday afternoon for the first time with a big crowd. The Red and Black is said to have been provided generously with opportunities for practice and has a number of players with the Fredericton squad also. The question of coaching is still to be decided.

# MAROONS HAVE BLACK CAT AS THEIR MASCOT

Montreal, Jan. 7.—The Montreal Maroons have a mascot now, and they got it in a strange manner. It will also be agreed that it is a strange kind of a mascot.

In the first place the animal—for that's what it is—that is expected to bring the Maroons luck, is one that is usually looked upon by every one else as representing bad luck—a black cat.

It was yesterday afternoon that Bob Ross, superintendent at the Forum was walking around the end of the rink, when he suddenly saw a United States flag. The flag began to move as he approached. He picked it up and saw that the stars and stripes was wrapped around a black cat. Apparently some New York fan had so dressed up the feline on Saturday night and tried to put it on the ice as a threat from the South. But the jinx proved to be the opposite for Montreal and now Manager Gerard is keeping the cat. It has become a great favorite with Trainer Bill O'Brien, who feeds it milk as though it were a baby.

# WESTERNERS MUST JOIN PROS

Boston, Mass., Jan. 7.—Percy Galbraith and William Hill, Eveleth, Minn., hockey players who are under contract to the Bruins, apparently have come to the end of their amateur careers. In fact it looks as if they will have to play professional hockey for Boston if they want to play hockey at all.

The United States Amateur Hockey Association having completed an investigation of the claims of Charles F. Adams, president of the Boston Club, that the men are under contract to him and they have accepted money from him. Accordingly Roy D. Schooley, secretary of the United States Association, has written to William S. Grant, secretary of the Central League, acquainting him with the result of the investigation and stating that unless his organization takes action in the case, the general governing body will be forced to step in.

# ATLANTICS HAND DEFEAT TO THE SUSSEX TEAM

## Score Was 6 to 2—Played on Wet Ice with Moncton Team the Better.

Sussex, Jan. 6.—The Atlantics, of Moncton, defeated the Sussex Colts in a league game played at the Royal Arena in the presence of about 500 fans by the score of 6 to 2.

The ice was very sticky and the game was featured by individual rushes rather than combination work. The play was clean, only two penalties being imposed for minor offences. Bill Hay refereed in his usual impartial manner and was satisfactory to both teams.

Both Work Fast

The first period opened with both teams working fast and after two minutes' play Friars, of the locals, presented the visitors with a goal by kicking the puck behind Roach in a mixup in front of the Sussex net. Percy Radcliffe in a nice rush scored goal one for Sussex after eight minutes of play and for the following six minutes the rubber was kept running up and down with territory play being about equal. Kerwin shot the rubber from centre ice and notched up score two for Moncton. There was no further scoring in this period which closed with score Moncton two, Sussex 1.

## Sussex on Aggressive

The second period opened with Sussex very much in the aggressive and in two minutes H. Radcliffe in a nice piece of stick work shot goal two for Sussex. After nine minutes of fast and furious play with the rubber being carried in rapid succession from one end of the rink to the other A. Bastarache found the Sussex net for score three for Moncton.

## Moncton Weight Tells

In the final period the weight of the Moncton team told in their favor on the soft ice, the Sussex boys showing signs of being tired from the clip they had been going. Wilson scored two goals for Moncton in the first five minutes and after 14 minutes' play Cole notched another. There was no further scoring and the game ended with the score standing Moncton 6, Sussex 2.

# TORONTO WON FROM HARVARD

Boston, Jan. 6.—Toronto University defeated Harvard 2 to 0 here tonight and won revenge for a defeat administered by the Americans a year ago.

Tonight the story was different one from the last meeting for the experienced Canadians were never in danger from the willing but rather raw crimson squad, and the advantage of Toronto was much greater than the score indicated.

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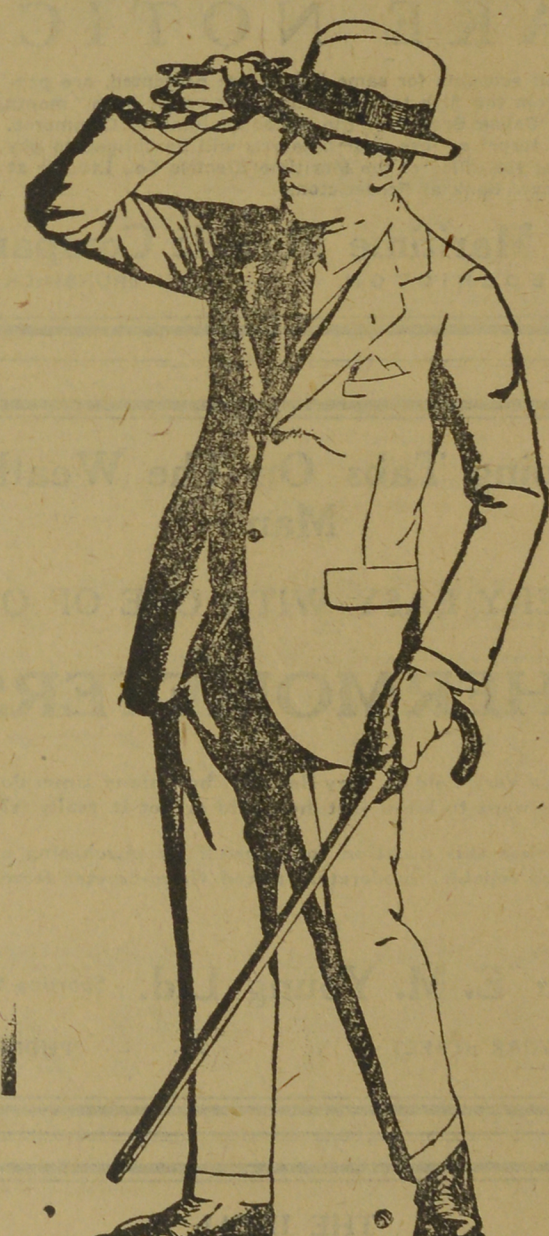
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